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All hell on Front Campus



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Micah Armstrong, a traveling preacher, drew massive crowds on Monday and Tuesday as he shocked his audiences with proclamations of damnation. Several hundred students heard him speak, and many argued Christian theology and the love and mercy of God with him.

BY JOSH FULMER
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BY TYLER SMITH
SENIOR REPORTER

You're going to hell. No, really. If you've ever masturbated, smoked *anything*, gotten piercings, listened to techno, rock or rap, kissed a guy, kissed a girl, consumed alcohol, had "unholy" sex or dressed provocatively, you'll join the ranks of Mother Teresa, Bob Marley, Jimi Hendrix, Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr. in the lake of fire. At least that's the opinion of Micah Armstrong, a traveling evangelist who preached his fire and brimstone message of repentance on campus last week.

Armstrong drew hun-

dreds to Front Campus as he used the Free Speech Zone to inform nearly everyone that they are, in fact, going to hell. Not based on any spiritual discourse between he and the passersby, but based on his own assumptions about their lifestyles.

Senior sociology major Stephen Gil and his friends attended the sermon after hearing about Armstrong's tactics around campus.

"It is so much fun to see this fight between wills, and then to see the people who really understand that he's here just to not listen, which is, I think, the exact opposite of the college's mission," Gil said. "You're here to learn, so it kind of an awkward thing to have him here when he is the

exact opposite of what higher education is all about."

Despite his reservations about Armstrong's methods, Gil understands the evangelist's right to say whatever he'd like to.

"Of course he should be allowed on campus," Gil said. "That is the whole point of free speech. But trying to incite people isn't what free speech is all about."

Amy Turns, a junior chemistry major, had a completely different view on Armstrong.

"I want to cry for him," Turns said. "If you read the Bible and you seriously interpret it that way, I feel bad for you."

After Turns recited Roman's 3:26, Armstrong called her a sinner and a masturbator. Turns denied

the unsubstantiated claim, to which Armstrong responded he could tell because all masturbators look alike.

"He wouldn't shake my hand because he won't shake the hands of masturbators," Turns said. "Even though I don't do it. According to him and his mind, he thinks that because he has been at my house and he's seen it. He's my best friend and he knows everything about me. What cracks me up is that his excuse for everything is 'I repented and therefore I am without sin,' yet he is a human, and in the Bible it says unless you are the Son of God, Jesus, then you have sin in your life."

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Cigarette Smoking
Alcohol Drinking
Showing Cleavage
Cursing
Premarital Kissing
Having Premarital Sex
Masturbation
Having Anal or Oral Sex
Being Homosexual
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Associating With Hollywood
Listening to "Gangsta Rap", Techno, Christian Bands, and Rock and Roll
Being Catholic
Being Jewish
Being Buddhist
Being Methodist
Being Protestant
Being Muslim
Being Hindu
Being In Greek Life
Owing a Pet

List courtesy of the Facebook group "So apparently I'm going to Hell."

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Students protest zoning changes

BY ROSS COUCH
SPECIAL TO
THE COLONNADE

The Milledgeville City Council will make a decision on the controversial ordinance limiting the number of unrelated persons living in a single-family household to three without a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission. The P&Z's decision not to approve the ordinance came after the members heard more than two hours worth of testimony from individuals in both support and opposition of the ordinance on Monday.

The commission held a public hearing at Oak Hill Middle School on Monday, and the members found themselves deadlocked 2-2 concerning the ordinance.

Billy Waller and Barney Collins voted in favor of the ordinance, Charles Birten and Chairman Mike McGee voted against it and Jacquelyn Parham and Carie Jarrard abstained. The knotted vote results in no recommendation given

to the council.

"We are ecstatic that this was not passed," Meg Mason, president of the Milledgeville Residential Investors, a group of landlords against the ordinance, told The Macon Telegraph after the meeting. "We feel that this was not necessarily vindication, but this is a positive way to show that we have a propensity for change, but it has to be done in a collaborative relationship."

More than 25 speakers, a group comprised of students, residents, landlords and lawyers, addressed the commission before the vote was held, with each bringing his or her opinions to the issue at hand. The majority of the speakers had been ready to speak at the original meeting, which was rescheduled for Monday because the number of people who showed up at City Hall on Oct. 2 — nearly 200 — violated fire code. If anything, the rescheduling increased the number of people in atten-

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PAWS received a facelift before Fall registration to make it more user-friendly, but many students still found it difficult to use.

Registration is still a pain despite changes

BY SARAH VER STEEG
SENIOR REPORTER

PAWS was revamped this semester, making registration a little more user-friendly for students.

Kay Graham, manager for six years of Data Management Resources, said the reason for the change was to make Banner 6, the system that controls PAWS, a Web-based product instead of client-based. Graham said this is the direction

that most software is going.

"They're always pushing to make things bigger and better," Graham said. "So they discontinue the old."

Graham said this change would affect students minimally. Students will likely notice little difference on the technical end. What will be noticeable are the visual changes made to PAWS like new fonts and backgrounds.

"The functionality will be the same," Graham said. "They'll be able to do the same things they used to do, it will just be a little neater."

Joey Hall, a junior creative writing major and Info Tech lab assistant, said the changes he noticed were minor.

"It looks different," Hall said. "I don't really use anything besides the

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Following the confrontation, Turns helped form a "Jesus Loves You Circle" for students who were traumatized by Armstrong's words.

As much as Armstrong seemed to enjoy pushing students' buttons, many of the students enjoyed pushing right back.

Student: "Why does heaven have pearly gates?"

Armstrong: "To keep the sinners out, to keep the masturbators out, to keep the homosexuals out, to keep the fornicators out, to keep the gangster rappers out, to keep the rock and rollers out, and the pot smokers out..."

Student: "What about techno music?"

Armstrong: "Techno music is evil and wicked."

Student: "Techno music isn't bad..."

Armstrong: "But when people listen to techno music they take drugs, when people listen to techno music they have premarital sex...."

Student: "Can I just tell you that I listen to gospel (music) when I do drugs and masturbate?"

Many students seemed determined to beat Armstrong at his own accusatory game.

Student: "Oh come on, you masturbate. Why are you trying to deny that you masturbate?"

One student even used his laptop to "cause

Armstrong to sin," pushing a screen full of pornography— one of Armstrong's favorite topics— into the preacher's face.

"My friend had his computer and I was like, 'we should get him to look at it,' so now he's going to hell," junior English major Bailey Warr said.

As Armstrong's opposition mounted, an interesting dynamic occurred on Front Campus: Those who claimed to care nothing about religion, God or Christianity found them-

really vulgar and just nasty, and condemning, condemning people, and that's not the gospel. What he does is he mixes a lot of truth with a lot of error," Baker said.

Many students, like freshman outdoor education major Bryan Colcord, felt that Armstrong was misinterpreting the Bible in order to provoke a response from the crowd.

"I think he's twisting the words of the Bible," Colcord said. "I think he's just trying to get a rise out

You want to come out and talk about the stuff they're into. You know, talk about their fraternities and talk about the music they listen to and talk about people out here premarital kissing...

— Micah Armstrong, Preacher

selves allied with Christians who refuted Armstrong's assertions as un-Biblical. The very same students who had been shouting profanity at Armstrong joined a circle of students to pray for Armstrong. As the circle grew, Armstrong found that fewer and fewer people were listening to him.

For a brief moment, the evangelist was silent.

Bill Baker, director of the Wesley Foundation, was part of the circle who drew almost everyone away from Armstrong.

"The main problem that I have is him coming out and calling people names, being

of people."

Colcord may not have been far off with his assertions. In an interview with Colonnade Reporters, Armstrong discussed tactics and his recent effort at Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah.

"A lot of students were angry, offended and upset. We feel like that's positive. You know, we want to provoke people, we want to get people alarmed, we want to get people to think, to go study the Bible and see if what we're saying is true," Armstrong said.

Armstrong went on to admit that the tension between him and the crowd

is often intentional.

"... You expect (the reaction from the crowd); I mean, it goes along with it and actually it helps you out because it makes it more interesting, and so people that would not normally be interested in somebody there preaching the Bible, you know, they will stop and watch somebody cuss you out. And, you know, one of the ways that we keep people here for hours and hours is to interact with them. I mean, that's the whole key," Armstrong said. "You want to come out and talk about the stuff they're into. You know, talk about their fraternities and talk about the music they listen to and talk about people out here premarital kissing. It's good to sound a little bit out of touch, it makes it a little more entertaining for them. It makes you more of a target you know, so you want to come off looking a little bit naïve and vulnerable..."

Armstrong is not the first traveling preacher to visit GCSU. Dr. Bruce Harshbarger, vice president for student affairs, said that five or six years ago, open air preachers began using the clock tower outside of Maxwell Student Union (MSU). This space was impractical because the gathered crowds would block access from Chick-Fil-A and MSU. It was then decided that in order to prevent this problem, GCSU would declare a Freedom of Speech Zone. The Bobcat head on Front Campus was chosen as the



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Armstrong acted slightly out of touch with popular culture, but he said that he only did so for effect.

most logical spot, Harshbarger said.

Despite its origins, the Freedom of Speech Zone is not just for preachers. Instead, any and all students and faculty can use the spot to make their voices heard. Unfortunately, students fail to utilize their power.

"We don't have an awful lot of people who simply want to go out there and talk to the campus, and that is unfortunate," Harshbarger said.

A reading of the names of the victims of September 11 was the only instance of student use that Harshbarger could remember during the past few years.

Speakers wanting to use the Freedom of Speech Zone are encouraged to contact the Department of Student Affairs beforehand for guidelines on proper procedure.



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BY SARAH VER STEEG
SENIOR REPORTER

Sigma Alpha Omega hosted "Dance to the Beat so Kids Can Eat" last Friday night to collect canned goods and provide a fun atmosphere for students.

The event was supposed to take place on Front Campus, but due to the rain it was moved to the MSU lounge. The foul weather did not put a damper on the spirit of the party though.

Sarah Riordan, social chair of SAO, said the night was a complete success. She said they collected over 200 canned goods to send to the GIVE Center, and that everyone had fun.

"It was collaborative for philanthropic purposes and a fun weekend event to keep kids here for the weekend," Riordan said.

The dance was a cos-

tume party complete with Fall foods like candied apples, popcorn and candy. There was a costume contest, whose winners received gift certificates from local restaurants like Amici, Chops and Domino's Pizza. The band Kaleo was the highlight of the evening.

"They were amazing," Riordan said.

Riordan said this was the second annual costume dance SAO has hosted and that it was a learning experience, especially at being flexible because of the weather.

"We really enjoyed hosting the event," Riordan said. "It will be even better with experience."

Riordan said next year they may raise the admission requirements to include more cans per person in order to have more to send to the GIVE Center.

"We can really make an impact with how many cans we raise," Riordan said.

Riordan said that service is a big part of what SAO is. She said, however, that SAO is more about Christian fellowship and accountability.

Riordan said SAO is not technically a Greek organization, but that it is very similar to other sororities. They have pledge requirements and socials, but Riordan said SAO focuses more on spiritual aspects like Bible studies and accountability.

"It was better than last year's," Bence said. "It was better organized and

more people showed up."

Bence said MSU provided a more centralized location for the dance and that it actually enhanced the mood of the night and that the close quarters of the MSU lounge made the evening more fun.

He said his favorite part of the night was listening to the band, Kaleo. The band played crowd songs like "Shout!" and "YMCA."

"I like how they allow it to be interactive," Bence said.

SGA Senator David Wilbanks, the representative for SAO's dance party presented Bill No. 3 to the Senate to allocate \$455 to the event. The bill was first presented on Oct. 18, but due to some miscommunication, it was tabled until the Oct. 25 meeting.

"There was a lot of confusion last week about where the money was allocated to as well as how [the bill] was presented," Wilbanks said.

Wilbanks and Riordan presented the bill to the Senate last Wednesday, and this time it passed unanimously.

"I'm actually surprised we got it," Wilbanks said.

Wilbanks said the dance party was a great idea, and that Riordan's enthusiasm rubbed off on him and made him excited about it as well.

"I think they've done a good job organizing it and getting incentives to come," said Wilbanks.

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Students' online profiles studied during job interview process

BY ANA MARIA LUGO
SENIOR REPORTER

The ghost of crazy spring break past and wild Thursday nights might be coming to haunt you on your next job interview. Your online persona is now a major factor in deciding whether or not you get a job.

Online social networking is no longer limited to high school and college students. Future employers are also getting in with the social networking bandwagon.

With internships and job opportunities becoming more competitive, checking profiles helps employers narrow down the competition.

"Checking social networks is definitely a growing trend among companies, whether it's a Fortune 500 company or a small business," said Jennifer Cash, assistant director at the career center here at GCSU. "With the help of (search engines) Google, Yahoo and social networks like MySpace and Facebook, background checks are just easier. The rule of thumb is: if the company has technology, the company will use it."

However, some students feel that what they do personally outside the job shouldn't affect their job

qualifications.

"If you show up at your work, you are qualified for it, and you do what you're supposed to, then I don't understand how I spend my personal time should affect the decision on whether or not I get the job," said Bill Magallano, a senior history major. "My persona on Facebook does not testify to what kind of worker I'm going to be. I work hard. I play hard."

Many students express themselves in social networking sites such as Facebook and MySpace from pictures to a "blog" or a diary. But sometimes this freedom of expression comes at a price.

A recent article by The New York Times reported that a University of Illinois graduate applied for a job and was denied the position after the employer found pictures of the student smoking marijuana, and read his blogs that talked about shooting people and obsessive sex. The article cited that another student, Tien Nguyen, a senior from University of California, Los Angeles, was rarely invited back for job interviews. The student "Googled" himself and traced his failure to a satirical essay he wrote entitled "Lying Your Way To The Top." He asked the essay

to be removed and became successful with getting job interviews.

Kari Waters, a GCSU junior English major, said she understands that expressing yourself is important, but that students should be wary of what they share.

"Expressing yourself is a good thing. If you want to share what you are, what you think, and what you do with other people on a tasteful level then that's great," Waters said. "But telling the world that you like to smoke pot and announcing to the world about your sexual escapades? Not so much."

There is definitely a fine line when it comes to students posting pictures and writing personal blogs on the Internet. Blogs and pictures can range from innocent enough party pictures with drinks on hand, to stupid drunken pictures, and to some vulgar and explicit displays of sex, drugs and alcohol. Some students also write topics that range from boyfriend and girlfriend or friend problems, endorsing a political agenda, to vivid details on how to use illicit drugs.

"Students need to understand that employers are in the business of hiring the best people for their company. They use

the technology to see if you're compatible with what they are looking for," Cash said. "They just want to make sure that they are hiring the best people."

Although this doesn't seem to be a major concern for students that Cash advises, she still recommends that students should clean up their "digital dirt" prior to an application and interview.

"I always tell students to remember that other people want the same job they're applying for. You want to present yourself in the best possible light," Cash said. "We can help you with writing resumes and prepare you for an interview, but whatever is on your profile is completely up to you."

There are some red flags that make employers wonder about the applicant's overall judgment. These include anything from violence, explicit sexual content, drug use and alcohol abuse.

"I don't have pictures or anything on Facebook that screams 'I'm an idiot,'" Waters said. "People should be smart enough to know that there are fun, stupid pictures. Then there are pictures that just make you look idiotic, like smoking pot."

Professor to spend Semester at Sea

BY AUBREY KOSCELSKI
STAFF WRITER

On June 17, 2007, Dr. Jeffrey Blick, professor of government and sociology, will be departing from Ensenada, Mexico, for a semester at sea.

This Semester at Sea will be administered by the University of Virginia. Professors and students from all over the United States will gather to spend two months at sea studying various subjects and cultures.

"It's a well established and repeated program," Blick said.

Blick, who has done study abroad programs in the past, says that while he's spent months and even a year at a time abroad, he's never done anything like this where you live on a ship for two months.

The Semester at Sea program has been around since 1926, but only in its modern form since 1976. Blick, a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, where he obtained his Ph.D., originally heard about and became interested in the program while at school in Pittsburgh. Some of his professors at Pittsburgh went on the voyage and it was from them that he heard about and became fascinated with the program.

While at sea, students live and learn while on the ship and then at each port, they have the opportunity to roam and explore for about five days. After that, everyone piles back on the ship for about 10 days until

they reach their next destination.

"Semester at Sea is a great opportunity to see the world," Blick said. "The voyage this summer is to Latin America, but there are other voyages that navigate the world. It would be a great opportunity for someone young."

Application information for the program can be acquired through the Web site at www.semesteratsea.com. To be considered, a student must be in good academic standing, having a GPA of least 2.75, and complete a 250-word essay online.

Mary Magoulick, associate professor of English, was involved in a Semester at Sea in the Spring of

2005.

"Semester at Sea is a great way to see and experience a large part of the world and a big variety of cultures, and also to live in a floating village-like environment for 100 days," Magoulick said.

The boat on which participants live and travel is a small Mediterranean cruise ship that can fit over 1,000 people. There are typically 650 students on the voyages, 25-30 professors, 30 members on staff and 150 more crew. The boat is equipped with a library, classrooms and computer labs. Although the program is quite expensive, costing \$20,000 per semester, financial aid is available, which could make the trip

as cheap as \$3,000 per student.

Orientation for Summer 2007 will begin on June 14, and the ship will set sail on June 17. There is still plenty of time for students who are interested to apply.

Eric Bauman, senior political science major, heard about Semester at Sea and how it differs from other study abroad programs.

"I think that taking a class on a boat would be really fun," Bauman said. "I love the ocean and being on a ship would mean that you could visit more than one place, rather than being put in one place to live while doing a study abroad class."



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Blick, who has traveled frequently in the past, holds a dog skull excavated from a dig in Virginia.

Info Page transitions into news and events

BY AUBREY KOSCELSKI
STAFF WRITER

GCSU homepage.

"Part of the survey is to make sure that we understand how things are being perceived," Jackson said.

Many students' concern with the change is that they no longer know how to access the "Info Page" from the GCSU homepage.

A large part of this is due to the fact that not many people are aware that the name has changed and that the 'Info Page' has technically become the News & Events page. The page looks and is set up exactly like the Info Page, which had served the campus for five years, but the two are not the same.

Many students are concerned with the changing of how some of the pages that students access on a day-to-day basis are set up.

On the Web site, they explain the reason that the Info Page has transitioned into the News & Events page.

"The Info Page has served our campus for five years," the FAQs site states.

"It was both the public page to find news and events and the campus community stop for news, events, faculty pages, department pages and many other links that are specifically for our campus community. With the implementation of myCATS, which explains to the public what myCATS is.

Students who have questions or would like to give feedback to the change and transition may complete a short survey, which is now available online, and can be accessed at the top of the

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Tenants deal with apartment woes

BY BROOKE WILLIAMS
STAFF REPORTER

Students deal with stress from several different aspects of the college lifestyle. Learning time management, choosing between class and happy hour, money issues, and incompatible roommates are just a few of the causes of this stress. There is another aspect of college life that many students are not prepared to deal with.

Once they have done their required time in the residence halls, many students decide to move off-campus and rent properties within the Milledgeville community. Renting may seem to be an exciting step for students in their quest for independence, but it can quickly become an added stress for those who are unaware of their rights and responsibilities as renters.

There are several problems and issues with which a student renter could possibly be confronted while they are renting a property. A pipe could bust causing flooding in the bathroom, an emergency comes up and a tenant may need to move immediately, or the landlord always seems to stop by when a renter is just stepping out of the shower. Most students are ignorant to the procedures of

requesting maintenance, penalties for breaking a lease and whether they should be notified before the landlord enters the property.

"I have rented five different places, with five different landlords, since I moved to Milledgeville in 2002," said Chris Voellinger, a senior business major at GCSU. "The reasons that I moved from my first three apartments dealt with disputes my roommates and I had with the landlords not repairing things we had asked them to. One of them tried to blame us for the damages our dogs made, when actually the damage was there when we moved in."

Getting a landlord to make repairs is one of the most common issues into which many students run when renting a home or apartment. Many student renters may shrug off repairs that should be made because they are not sure whether it is their responsibility to fix the problem or the responsibility of the landlord.

According to the Landlord-Tenant Handbook, which was made available by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, "the landlord has a responsibility to keep the rental property in repair." This includes keeping the

"building structure, roof, heating, and plumbing operational" and the landlord must comply with local ordinances and minimum safety standards. The landlord is not responsible for damages incurred by the tenant, their household members, guests or visitors.

Most landlords are willing to do repairs because, logically, the property is theirs and it benefits them to keep it up.

"As a landlord I want to take care of my property, the only problem that I have run into concerning repairs is renters not reporting things in a timely fashion," said Robert Binion, a landlord who owns about 10 properties in Milledgeville, which he mainly rents to students. "If I can deal with the issue when it's minor, instead of when it is major, it saves time and money."

The easiest way to make a request for repair to a landlord is by phone or possibly e-mail. But the Atlanta Legal Aid Society advises tenants on their Web site, www.atlantalegalaid.org, to make a written repair request in addition to other forms of contact and to keep copies of all written requests made. According to the Web site, if the landlord does not make the repairs within a reasonable amount of

time, the renter has the option of suing or they can make the repair themselves or hire someone to make the repair and subtract the cost out of their rent for the next month.

"When we were trying to get our heater fixed in one of the first apartments I rented, my roommate would always type up what we said in our requests we left on our landlords answering machine," said Valerie Blum, a junior history major at GCSU. "Finally we got tired of freezing and hired someone to fix it and paid for it on our own. But we subtracted the cost from our rent and sent him all of our request documentation, so there wasn't much that he could say."

Another common issue student renters run into is not knowing the proper procedures when leaving a lease or the penalties of breaking a lease early. Most leases specify 60 to 30 days written notice when planning to break a lease before the date designated within the lease.

Some landlords will incur a penalty for breaking the lease before the date in the lease, such as not returning the security deposit. But many leases vary and some landlords are more willing to work with renters in different situations.

Registration

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registration, so I haven't really noticed anything different."

Hall said although PAWS looked better, it did not help him get the classes he needed. Even though he is a junior, he still did not get the classes he wanted.

"I've been here three years and I've noticed that it's insanely hard to get an upper level class unless you're a senior," Hall said.

He only registered for three classes for next semester, and for one of them he had to go to the professor and ask for a seat modifier for the class.

"It's kind of difficult," Hall said. "I wish they would have more openings."

Another aspect of the registration system that Hall mentioned was the time change from 8 a.m. to 5 a.m. He said that although this was a good idea, it made him worse off.

"There's a big deal with that time change," Hall

said. "I don't have a computer at home, and I didn't get up and come to campus at 5 because I had to be here to work at 8."

By then, the classes Hall needed were already full.

Michael Hague, a junior environmental science major and cross country runner, said he had priority registration and had no problem getting the classes he needed. He said he did not notice many changes on the Web page.

"I did find something I liked, though," Hague said. "I could go from the registration page to search for classes. You could check a box instead of typing the CRN; I really liked that."

Desta Tewolde, a pre-med biology major and international student, also had trouble getting the classes he needed.

"I had to register with the freshmen," Tewolde said. "I'm supposed to be a sophomore; that's why I didn't get the classes I wanted."

Tewolde said he came to campus at 5 a.m. on Friday morning and found the computer lab full of fresh-

men. He said he tried to access the registration page from both myCATS and PAWS, but that myCATS was easier. He noticed little changes on the Web page.

"It was slow, same as last year," Tewolde said.

Freshman Mallory Neil said this was her first time using PAWS without an advisor.

"It was nerve-wracking

trying to get the classes I needed," Neil said.

Neil said she ended up getting all her classes, but she had to get up at 5 a.m. to get them.

"At 5 a.m. it got really bogged down and slow," Neil said.

She accessed the registration page through myCATS, and that it was faster and easier that way.



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Sophomore Joseph Starr uses the computers in the Registrar's Office to enroll in classes for next semester.

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City Council Meeting Information

Potential re-zoning

The final decision will be made about the single-family housing ordinance at the City Council meeting on Nov. 14. The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. at Oak Hill Middle School.

Zoning

Continued from Page 1...

dance. Nearly all of the 460 seats in the Oak Hill auditorium were filled.

Those in favor of the ordinance said limiting the number of unrelated persons living in a household would curb the traffic, noise, parking, trash and other problems that have become common-place in the downtown area.

"I've been living in my house for 43 years, by the grace of God," Milledgeville resident Richard Brookings told the commission. "I love it, but I can't live there with things going on."

Some echoed Brookings sentiments. Mark Pelton, a downtown resident, pulled incidents from The Colonnade as proof of the need for the ordinance.

"Party busts on Dolles Boulevard, public urination by male and female students, public drunkenness, underage drinking, fights, theft and vandalism have occurred on our city streets and public places," Pelton said. "That's not me reporting this — it's the student newspaper. Every resident here has been touched by these problems, and probably could detail their own, unpleasant, late-night experiences with drunken college students."

Others added their own spin to things. John Alton, Historic Preservation Commission chairman, said the ordinance will not only eliminate some of these undesirable acts, but will give a definition to the term "single-family unit."

"This ordinance will attempt to provide definition to just what a single-family unit is to a community and to the Planning and Zoning Commission," Alton said. "The city of Milledgeville needs to curb the constant and steady encroachment of boarding houses, apartments and multi-family units within identified single-family areas. This ordinance is needed as the first step toward the preservation of

a stable, quiet, family-oriented neighborhood that many of these owners present today moved to Milledgeville for."

But those against the ordinance said the road to this type of environment can only exist with the enforcement of current laws, not the creation of new ones.

"I understand what these people are saying ... but you're tap dancing around the real problem," Robert Binion, a local realtor and property owner, said. "The real problem is noise. The real problem is traffic. The real problem is parking. And you can have that whether you have one, two, three, four or five people living in the house."

"Limiting the number of students in the downtown area is not going to solve the problem. If they are peeing in the bushes, enforce the ordinance that talks about that. If they have a bunch of cars parked in the yard, you have a parking ordinance ... Think about what you are doing here, because you are not solving the problem," Binion said.

Janessa Hartmann, GCSU student body president, included Binion's sentiments in her request that P&Z give a "no" recommendation to the City Council.

"Yes, there are some households that are disruptive to some neighbors, [but] there are already laws in effect, and it's been proven that these problems could be solved with these other laws," Hartmann said. "Could this committee please make a recommendation to the city to enforce those laws before going to pass this regulation and making it a blanket affect?"

The pleas from both sides of the argument were taken into consideration by the commission, but a recommendation was not given. Now the City Council must deliberate and make a decision on the ordinance at the regular Nov. 14 meeting scheduled for 6 p.m. at Oak Hill Middle School.

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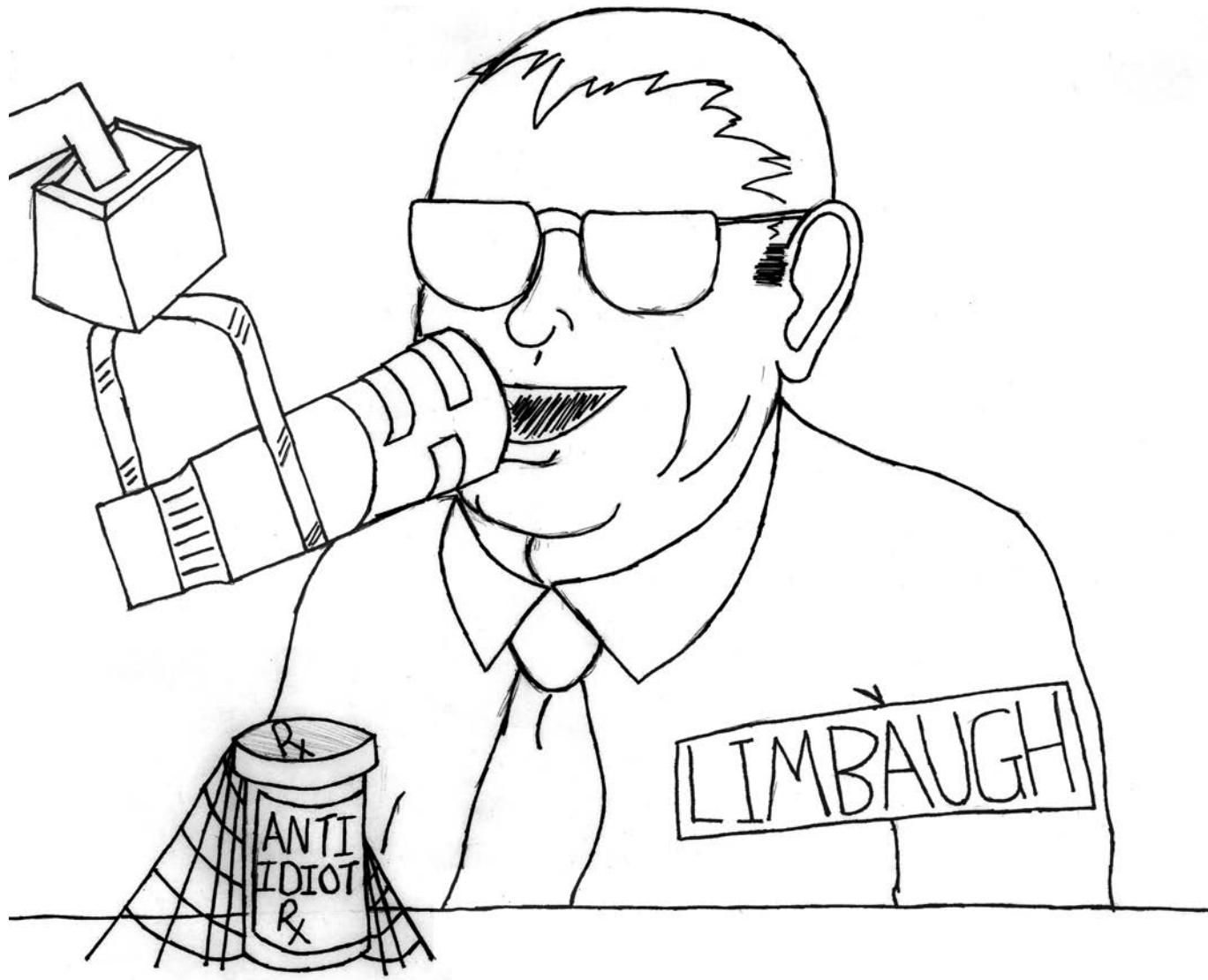
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DOMINY'S DOODLES

BY KYLE DOMINY



Fair Tax could save economic system



BY CHRIS PITTS
COLUMNIST

As you no-doubt already know, this year is going to be vital as far as congressional elections go. Many seats are up for grabs which, in turn, may give Democrats control of congress, which they haven't had in 12 years. One of the most watched elections is taking place in Georgia, between republican Mac Collins and democrat Jim Marshall. It is so watched, that President Bush visited Macon to help Mac Collins with his campaign. Over the past few

weeks, the smear ads between the two candidates have been in full swing. In one of these ads, Jim Marshall accuses Mac Collins of wanting to impose a 23 percent national sales tax which would raise taxes. Now, while it is true that Mac Collins does support this sales tax, it is not true that it would raise taxes in any way. However, Jim Marshall is hoping that constituents do not know this. He, like most democrats, wants the voters to be ignorant about issues.

The tax system that Mac Collins supports is called the FairTax. The FairTax was created by Georgia Congressman John Linder and is a replacement for our current lengthy and complex income tax system. In the FairTax bill, all income taxes, payroll taxes and death taxes are repealed and replaced by an inclusive 23 percent retail sales tax.

First, what must be noted is that prices would

not increase. When you buy an item at the grocery store, you are paying not only the cost it took to make that product, but also the taxes of the workers and the business who helped make that product. This is because businesses list taxes as expenditures, which are then added to the final sale price of a product. So with income taxes, payroll taxes, and other taxes that businesses have to pay out of the picture, the business has to pay less expenditures, thus allowing the price of its product to fall. It is estimated that as a result, prices of products would fall by roughly 22 cents on the dollar, which is roughly equivalent to the sales tax that would be imposed.

This tax is also progressive and fair. Under the FairTax, the more you spend, the more taxes you pay. Logically, you can assume that richer families, being more likely to consume products than a poorer family, will pay a

majority of the taxes. Also, the FairTax provides for a refund check to be sent to every head of a household each month to pay for necessities of life like food. This refund check is based on the poverty level for the amount of people in a household. For example, a four person household would receive roughly \$300 to spend on food or whatever else they deem necessary.

Of course there is more to the FairTax. The business and economic growth as a result of the FairTax would be phenomenal. However, the statistics and benefits of this tax system above our communistic income tax is too much to fit into this small article. For more information, I encourage you to read "The FairTax" by Neal Boortz and John Linder, which can be found at any bookstore.

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These weren't the worst, best of times



BY ANDREW ADAMS
COLUMNIST

D-Day, Decision Day, is quickly approaching America on Tuesday, Nov. 7. On that day all, 435 congressional seats and one-third of the 100-seat Senate will be up for grabs. This makes it very conceivable that there could be a power shift in the House of Representatives or Senate, or both. Democrats seem to be telling voters that if the Republican Party is to retain power, then the next two years will be much like the past two.

But I'm having trouble understanding how that could be effective. While I know these last two years weren't the best America

has ever experienced, I know they certainly weren't the worst. Every business day, it seems like our economy is hitting new highs. In general, people are doing better today financially than they ever have. In fact, the economy has done so well that, for the past two years, the American stock exchange is outperforming every single European stock exchange. Since 2004, the United States has created nearly twice as many jobs as Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the United Kingdom combined. Maybe it is because of the tax cuts republicans passed early in Bush's first term, or maybe it was just a positive fluctuation in our cyclical economy. One thing that's for sure is we should all be happy with our economy's performance.

Every American that cares about our future is concerned about the growing national debt. In 2004, George W. Bush pledged to cut the national deficit in half by 2009 when he

leaves office. I thought that was a little too optimistic, particularly for a President who created the largest subsidy America has ever seen with the Farm Bill just a year before.

President Bush was wrong in his prediction. It turns out that America will actually be able to cut the national deficit in half by 2008.

The issue every American seems to be looking at in this year's election is Iraq. Democrats, even those who voted for the war, are now quick to call for "redeployment"; which essentially means pulling out of Iraq so sectarian violence and dictatorships may arise. Americans seem impatient with an occupation of three years. We are very quick to forget the 10 years of occupation we had of Japan following World War II, or the 53-year occupation we continue to carry in the Korean Demilitarized Zone. Wars are brutal and occupation can sometimes be more brutal. We learned after World War I that if we

leave a nation down-trodden and destroyed, as we did with Germany, then dictators like Adolf Hitler are likely to come to power.

President Bush might have failed to formulate a strategy for "winning the peace", but that doesn't mean we should give up on peace in Iraq. Democrats running for office across the nation seem to believe that leaving Iraq in shambles for tyrants to control is the best alternative. In reality, a peaceful Iraq is what is best for America and the world.

On November 7, Americans will decide the course of this nation. Will America vote for big spending politicians that could end Bush's hopes of cutting the deficit in half? Will America vote for "redeployers" that will leave Iraq a destroyed nation? The only thing we know for sure is that this will be a monumental election.

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Our Voice

*Are you a slave to
convenient technology?*

As journalists, we are trained to take note of our surroundings. In fact, journalists may be some of the most observant people you'll find. Late last Friday afternoon, as I walked across Front Campus, I was surprised, amazed even, by the scene that unfolded before me: Each of the people with whom I shared the sidewalk were talking on the phone. On the porch of Terrell Hall: guy on a cell phone. On the bench under the oak trees: cell phone. On the adjacent sidewalk: cell phones. Every person in my field of vision was electronically engaged. It felt as though someone had arranged a world-wide conference call and had neglected to inform me.

We certainly do not criticize the transfer of information, which, in essence, is what a phone call is. But we ask you, in your all-too busy life, to consider for a moment what you're giving up when you flip open your phone and devote yourself to some other matter taking place beyond your microcosm.

What you're giving up is the here-and-now. You're giving up the fleeting present in order to address... what? A voice mail? A text message? You're friend that you haven't spoken to in, like, fifty seven whole minutes?

It can wait.

Really.

Because Front Campus is beautiful this time of year, but you won't notice.

And that friend you just passed while furiously pounding the keypad? You haven't talked to her, really talked to her, in weeks.

And you just missed three people waving at you because you were engrossed in reading your text message.

Congratulations. They now think you're a jerk.

Maybe it's not your cell phone; maybe it's your iPod. Maybe you're one of those people who stare at the sidewalk, so enthralled with Kelly Clarkson that you missed two friendly nods, five hellos, and 72 chances to make eye contact with someone else and, for a brief moment, share a place and time.

Next time you're on campus, put away the phone, take out the earphones and look around. Take note of the people around you. How many of them are entirely checked out? How many of them are oblivious to their surroundings because they barely made it out of A&S without shoving something to their ear?

We're all for communication. We're fans of media and technology (If we're not, a career change might be in order).

But we're also for being engaged in the present, for observation and participation in the world around you.

So try to be more observant. You'll be surprised at the things you never bothered to notice.

You've got voicemail for a reason.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Registration tough on freshmen

Dear Editor,

Today was rough - my first official registration day. After many hours of making and remaking different schedule options, the moment of truth came... and I found myself registered for one class.

How could this happen? Did I do something wrong?

No, as I so rudely discovered at 5 a.m. on the 27th, I did nothing wrong; the registration process here at Georgia College & State University is highly flawed. To start off with, there weren't enough English 1102 classes available. Maybe it's just me, but I don't think that makes much sense. The university knows that all those who took 1101 need 1102... so why were less than suffi-

cient classes provided?

Next, most of the math classes were filled before my chance to register even arrived. How did that happen?

That leads me to my next point: early registration. Am I somehow less worthy of classes due to my not being in the honors program, on SGA or an athlete? Are they somehow more deserving of the classes than myself?

I don't believe so. In fact, a majority of the freshman here at GCSU are finding themselves in the same situation, and are finding it equally unfair.

So what can be done about the registration process?

I say an end to priority registration; all students should have an equal opportunity to enroll in the

necessary classes.

Next, make enough classes available for the number of students needing to take it. Although I can see why budget cuts could be necessary, I don't believe that I should be unable to take a class that I need to proceed with my major due to these cuts. Maybe the cuts can come from the constant lawn work we have going on...

Lastly, maybe 5 a.m. isn't the best time to open registration. It doesn't lessen the volume of students registering, it just adds to our sleep deprivation. And now, I'm going back to sleep.

Sincerely,
Allison Sudholt
Sociology
Freshman

Frustration grows with myCATS

Dear Editor,

"We are experiencing technical difficulties. Please try again later."

"Error: Cannot find outgoing host to route mail to."

"Please see your system administrator."

"myCATS will be unavailable for the next few days for upgrades..."

Trivia question: What is more dependable - Rock climbing with nylon string, or the myCATS system? I'll just say... they are pretty close.

I dread checking my mail because of the frustration I go through trying to use this new campus-wide system. I try to send e-mails, but when I click send, half the time it does not send it. "Cannot find outgoing host to route mail to." What the hell? I just gave you the route - it is the e-mail address I typed! And half the time, I lose everything I just wrote! Do you know how frustrating that is? Typing an e-mail that took 10 minutes and then have it disappear because

you clicked the send button! Who would have seen that coming? Not me... Surely not me.

At the beginning of the semester, many teachers told their students to use myCATS in order to get their homework, and stay in touch over e-mail. Little did they know that this is easier said than done. Many-a-time I have gone to receive my homework, or even turn in my homework that is due in twenty minutes, and not been able to log onto myCATS because it is down for "upgrades." Let me ask you this: If they are always upgrading, why does it still suck?!

I think myCATS has potential - real potential. But it also has the possibility of causing frustration, annoyance, stress and temper tantrums because it is not up to par. Just the other day I was writing a response on a message board for class. After writing my large response that took me 20 minutes to rig up, I then clicked the post button. Guess what ol' myCATS said: "We are

experiencing technical difficulties. Please see your system administrator." Who is my system administrator? I thought you were my system administrator! And then, ohh... and then, I clicked back to I could try to post again. Say ta-ta to my 20-minute response! The anger that flourished within me... All myCATS could do to calm me was say, "Please try again later." Later... later!! My homework is due later! So now I should work my schedule around the Mycats so called "upgrading" schedule? I should think not.

myCATS is a thorn in my side - or shall I say, a rope that rubs my hand wrong. A nylon rope. myCATS, get your act together, and when you do, send me an e-mail... if you can.

Sincerely,
Ryan Greene
Marketing
Sophomore

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Should Open Air Preachers be Allowed on Campus?

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How do you feel about the registration process?



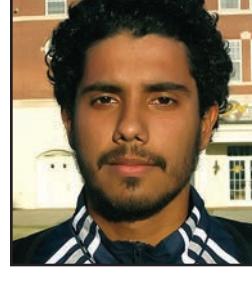
"I don't have a schedule right now because it was so slow that I got frustrated and gave up."

Kendal Pelt, Freshman, Psychology



"I was very prepared with several back-up schedules but I still didn't get anything I wanted. It was basically a waste of time."

Jessica Bawden, Freshman, Undeclared



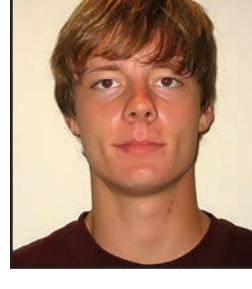
"I think it's a good system. We should be able to use the technology that we have available."

José Guerra, Junior, Environmental Science



"It's unfair to students who have finished core and want to move to upper level classes but can't because they're full."

Kurt Nieser, Sophomore, History Major



"It's not that bad now that it's at 5 in the morning instead of 8."

Jeremy Denton, Junior, Psychology

Beat Reported by Rebecca Hattaway

The Litter Box

Instant Message with "ColonnadeVent"

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Alright Colonnade, last year you ran a story about the whistling sound coming out of MSU saying it was when the dishwasher was being turned on and letting off steam, not a ghost. Pray tell, who does dishes at 1:48 a.m. on a Saturday morning? A ghost, that's who.

I love how when I register for my classes at 5 a.m., they're already full and I'm screwed over for another semester of classes I don't need.

Guess what I am going to be for Halloween... a Milledgevillian! Yep, went to Wal-Mart and got all of my camo gear...

Do you HAVE to bring your lap top to class and type Facebook messages to your friends EVERYDAY??? I'm sure you spend more than half your life doing this; so can't you refrain for a measly hour and 15 minutes so the rest of us can learn????

Milwaukee's Best was a bad choice....

To the majority of guys in the Depot: You know, when working out, you are supposed to work the WHOLE body, not just your arms and chests. I mean, walking around with chicken legs and a gorilla chest with King Kong arms is really goofy looking. You might fall over. To the inconsiderate guy in the Depot: Dude, ear-pieces were invented for your i-Pod so that we don't have to HEAR your butt-nasty music. Turn it down, before you become retarded...oops...too late.

Politicians all over the country are complaining that too many dead people have been voting in recent years. Why are they trying to take away the right to vote from dead people? That is so discriminatory!

I aint the baby daddy until Maury say so.

To those opposed to certain groups being allowed to register before other students: Stop whining! It's not our fault YOU slacked off at some point in your academic career.

Can I just say THANK YOU for acknowledging a college football game other than UGA!!! GT rules!!!!!!

To the people of Bobcat Village: The elevator is NOT your trashcan!

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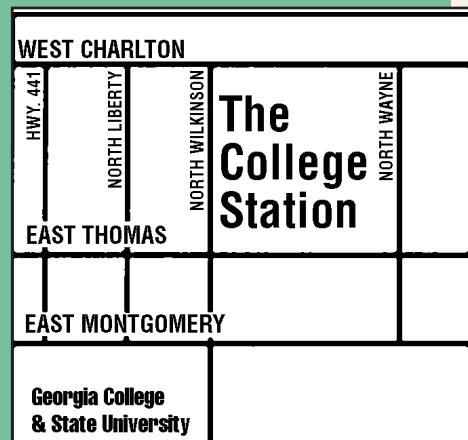
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Friday, November 3

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibit: "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians" 2006 GCSU Scholarship Recognition Luncheon, University Banquet Room

11:30 a.m. University Services Committee, 252 Herty Hall

12:30 p.m. 2 p.m. Poker Tournament, Magnolia Ballroom, SAC

3:30 p.m. LEAD Meeting, MSU 131

7 p.m. First Friday Foreign Films: L'squive, (France), A&S Auditorium

8 p.m. GCSU Jazz Band Fall Concert, Russell Auditorium,

Saturday, November 4

All Day Welcome Parents! (Parent's Day)

10 a.m. - 12 a.m. Sweetwater Festival, Downtown Milledgeville

6 - 8 p.m. Second Annual BANS Banquet, Magnolia Ballroom

Sunday, November 5

Monday, November 6

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibit: "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians" NAACP General Body Meeting, Maxwell Student Union Lounge

1 p.m. Stacy Keltner: "The Politics of Ambiguity in Simone de Beauvoir and Frantz Fanon," A&S 2-43

2 - 3:15 p.m. Venture Out: Tree Climbing Clinic, Front of Campus

3 - 5:30 p.m. SOAR Meeting, MSU Lounge

4 p.m. Sequins & Smiles Fashion Show, Magnolia Ballroom, SAC

Tuesday, November 7

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibit: "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians"

7:15 - 8:15 p.m. Rumba Dance Class, Chappell Hall \$40 per person, Hard soled shoes and Dance Partner Recommended

7:30 p.m. Faculty Recital: Chris Henley (tenor) and Richard Mercier (piano), Max Noah Recital Hall

8 p.m. BSU Synergy, Magnolia Ballroom, SAC

Wednesday, November 8

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibit: "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians"

11 a.m. CAB: Inflatables! Front Campus

12:30 - 2 p.m. Student Government Association, Student Activities (Dogwood Room A & B)

12:30 - 1:45 p.m. CTEL Workshop, Beeson Hall Rm115

5 p.m. SIFE Meeting, 208 Atkinson Hall

6 p.m. A.N.G.E.L.S. meeting, Blackbird Coffee House (Downtown)

8:30 p.m. Non-Greek Step Show, Magnolia Ballroom, SAC

7:30 p.m. Campus Catholics: Christian Life, Maple Room, 2nd floor SAC

8 p.m. Wesley House, Magnolia Ballroom, SAC

8:30 p.m. International Club Meeting, A&S 2-72

Thursday, November 9

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Exhibit: "Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians"

12:30 - 1:45 p.m. Grant Proposal & Development Workshop, Beeson Basement Conference Room



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-Art (any type of visual art) should be brought to the Mayfair Hall digital art lab in actual form, as 35mm slides, or high resolution, uncompressed TIFF format on disk to room 101, or submitted by mail to The Peacock's Feet.

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Dr. Todd Shiver directed the GCSU Concert Band during the fall concert, "A Night of Overtures."

Concert band rocks house

BY SARAH VER STEEG
SENIOR REPORTER

The sounds of majestic themes, playful melodies, and dramatic cat-and-mouse chases between woodwinds and percussion filled Russell Auditorium last Thursday night and kept the audience mesmerized from beginning to end.

In a lively display of talent and passion, the GCSU Concert Band, directed by Dr. Todd Shiver presented their fall concert, "A Night of Overtures."

The band performed pieces from Leonard Bernstein, Gioacchino Rossini, Giuseppe Verdi and Dmitri Shostakovich. The audience favored the Rossini piece, "The Barber of Seville" Overture.

The piece began with a hesitant, timid melody. The whole piece resembled a chase, gradually building with intensity and crescendos into a climactic ending with dramatic tympani.

"The Barber of Seville" was used in Looney Tunes episodes starring Bugs Bunny.

Amber Barnard, a freshman English major, said "The Barber of Seville" was her favorite piece of the evening because she knew where it came from.

"I like to hear songs I've done before," Barnard said. "I saw the Looney Tunes song and it made me smile because you know what was happening."

April Pauf, a freshman music therapy major and principle oboe player, was pleased with the turnout and the performance.

"For me, I thought I did really well considering the

practice," Pauf said.

Pauf said the band has been rehearsing for this concert every Monday, Wednesday and Friday since August, and had two dress rehearsals on Tuesday and Wednesday night prior to the concert.

Erin Sewell, also a music therapy major and the principle bass clarinet player of the Concert Band, was impressed the band's performance as well.

"I honestly think we did really well," Sewell said. "All our work has paid off. This is the best we've been in a while."

This is Sewell's third year in the band and she has been playing the bass clarinet since sixth grade.

Sewell said her favorite piece was "Nabucco Overture" by Verdi.

"It's my favorite because the beginning trombone fanfare," Sewell said. "Out of nowhere the band jumps in and wakes up the crowd."

For Brittany McGowan, a senior music therapy major and principle clarinet player, "A Night of Overtures" was her last concert at GCSU.

McGowan has played with the Concert Band for nearly four years and will be graduating in December.

McGowan had mixed feelings about her last concert.

"I'm partly in relief because it's over," McGowan said. "The dress rehearsal was when it hit me. I just sat there and listened to everyone around me playing."

Shiver was very pleased the performance of the band and the size of the

audience.

"It was a pretty tough concert," Shiver said. "The band was a little nervous - we'll say anxious - going into it."

Dr. Shiver said his favorite piece was the opening one, "Candide Overture" by Bernstein.

"I like 'Candide,' the first one, because it's got, I call it, schizophrenic moods, like a circus tune; you never know what's around the corner," Shiver said.

Shiver also said this piece was the most difficult of all the pieces performed.

"There are lots of different meters," he said. "For a conductor, that's a challenge."

Shiver said this year's concert band is exceptional, especially considering the age of the players.

"This year I would consider it a young group," Shiver said. "Just two or three seniors in the group, but it is a very talented group. We have a very strong freshman class."

Shiver announced at the concert that the Jazz Band will perform its first holiday concert this year. "We're not thrilled about practicing holiday music in October, but we're excited about having a holiday concert," Shiver said.

Shiver also announced, with gasps from the audience, a concert exclusively of music by John Williams, composer of dozens of famous movie scores like Star Wars, Harry Potter, and Indiana Jones. The concert will be in the Spring.

Local favorite finally plays on front campus

BY AUBREY KOSCIELSKI
STAFF WRITER

The Columbia, S.C.-based trio, The Movement, made their presence known once again as they performed live on Front Campus, Friday, Oct. 20.

Although the setting was unfamiliar to the band, as they typically play at Amici Italian Café in downtown Milledgeville, the group had no trouble blending their hip-hop lyrics and creating a lively performance.

Haly Hicks, a a junior political science major, was in attendance among several others Friday night. She had seen The Movement before in Milledgeville and heard about of their appearance on front campus by flyers that were posted around Bobcat Village.

"The Movement is super cool," Haly said.

Reese Fitzpatrick, assistant director for student involvement, said that the students on the Campus Activities Board executive board are in charge of booking events and performances that take place on front campus.

"They basically try to do stuff that students would be interested in," Fitzpatrick said. "It's a way to get students to come out and do fun things where they don't have to worry about studying or school for an hour or so."

The Movement is comprised of members Josh Swain, Jordan Miller and Jon Ruff. They blend styles of roots and reggae to create a sound like no other that leaves their audiences

wanting to hear more.

Although alcohol was not present and curse words were taken out of their songs, a crowd of over 100 students, teachers and locals gathered on Front Campus. The band has become very popular among the students and residents in Milledgeville within the last year and is always interested in playing at new venues.

"We'll play just about wherever, we've played different festivals and have played at a hockey game, so wherever people want to book us, we'll play there," Ruff, aka "DJ Riggle" said. "Some gigs are more fun than others, like playing at Amici is always a blast, but we'd definitely come back and play on campus if they wanted us back. The only thing that was awkward about the gig was that nobody was drinking, and we're definitely not used to that in Milledgeville, but that's not even a big deal; our good friends were there and that's all that counts."

Mariano Cebrian, senior

psychology major, was in attendance at The Movement show, hosted by CAB.

"I liked it a lot," Cebrian said. "I enjoy reggae but wish that there would have been more people there."

Kelly Reagin, a freshman with an undeclared major, is also familiar with The Movement and their music.

"I enjoyed the time that they played at the bar more than Front Campus. It would have been more fun if more people had showed up for the show or if it had been in a closed off space," Reagin said. "The openness of the Front Lawn and the lack of people made it sort of awkward, but the time at the bar was super fun."

The Movement is currently on tour until Dec. 2, making their way around other parts of the Southeast. For more information on the band and upcoming live performances, check out at www.themovementvibe.com or at The Movement on myspace.com.



PHOTO SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE

The Movement played for the first time at GCSU on Oct. 20.

"The problem is that there's always two sides to a story."

- Steve Chambers, Milledgeville City Council member

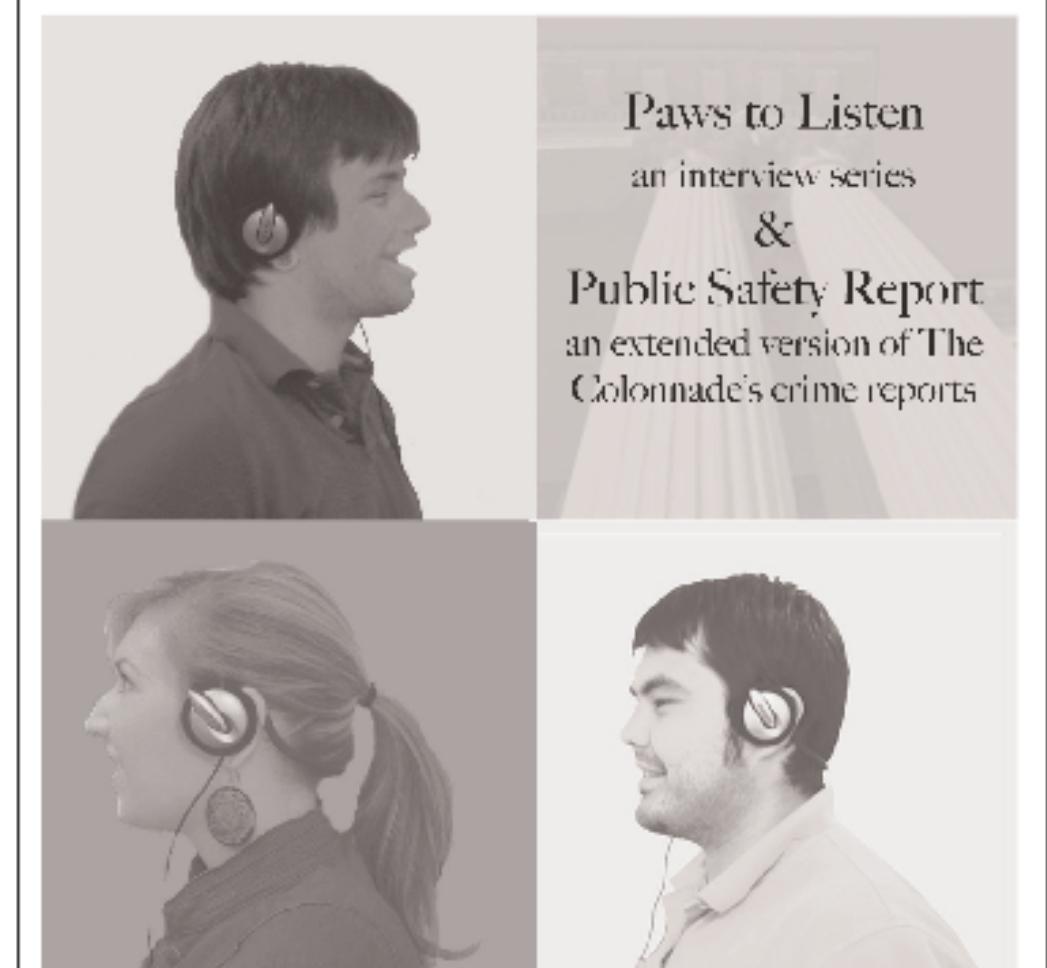
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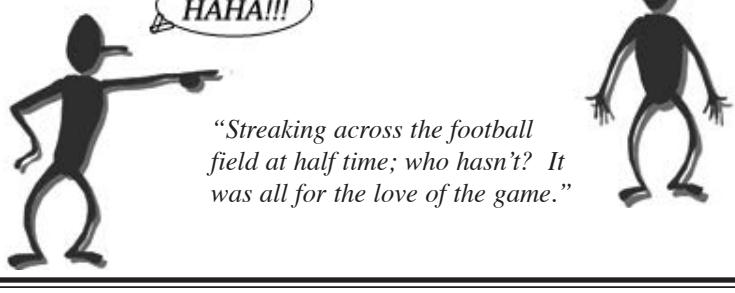
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THE SPOTLIGHT



Aaron Clark (22)

The junior started all 31 games last year and finished second on the team with 13.2 points and 7.5 rebounds per game. He also led the team with 47 blocks and averaged 12.5 points and 7.9 rebounds per contest in Peach Belt Conference games.



Marquita Driskell (32)

The junior is back for her second year with the Lady Bobcats, after nearly sitting out all of last year. She got off to a strong start last year, averaging 16.8 points and 10.3 rebounds in four games in 2005-06.

STAT of the WEEK

234

The number of days from the last basketball game played by GCSU. The last game played was a men's loss on March 14, 2006

KEY HOME GAMES



Nov. 29
Lander



Feb. 10
Clayton



Feb. 21
Columbus

Women's games at 5:30 p.m. and Men's games at 7:30 p.m.

THE SPORTS GUY

BY WES BROWN

Returns next week, Nov. 10, to answer the question: Is this a rebuilding year for men's basketball?

Bobcats rebuild, while Ladies thrive

Men lose six seniors; 6th in preseason poll

BY A.J. FOSS
SENIOR REPORTER

The GCSU men's basketball team faces a number of questions as it enters the 2006-2007 basketball season.

The Bobcats finished last season with a 22-9 overall record, with a record of 16-4 in the Peach Belt Conference.

The Bobcats won the regular season PBC title and advanced to the "Sweet Sixteen" of the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Tournament.

However, the Bobcats have lost six seniors from last year's team, four of which were starters that including All-American forward Jeremy Mayweather, the PBC player of the year, and guard Bryan Harrison who was named to the All-PBC team.

"Those guys were six of the best seniors we ever had and they will be very hard to replace," said head coach Terry Sellers.

The loss of those six seniors led to the media predicting the Bobcats finishing sixth out of the 11 teams in the PBC.

The problem is not talent for the Bobcats,

but rather experience

as only six letterman,

including two seniors

return from last year's

team, including senior

point guard Shejdie

Childs.

"We have a bunch of freshmen and sophomores, so (the returning players) need to step up as leaders and role models and show the new guys how much hard work and dedication we put into the season last year," Childs said.

With all the new players, Sellers is uncertain what he has in his basketball team as he enters his 14th season as head coach of the Bobcats.

"We're still searching for our team's identity and what our strengths and weaknesses are," Sellers said.

The Bobcats will also have work players that have transferred from other universities including sophomore guard Shaun Keaton. Keaton played last season at East Tennessee State, a Division I school in the Southern Conference, but wanted to play at a school closer to his hometown of Albany.

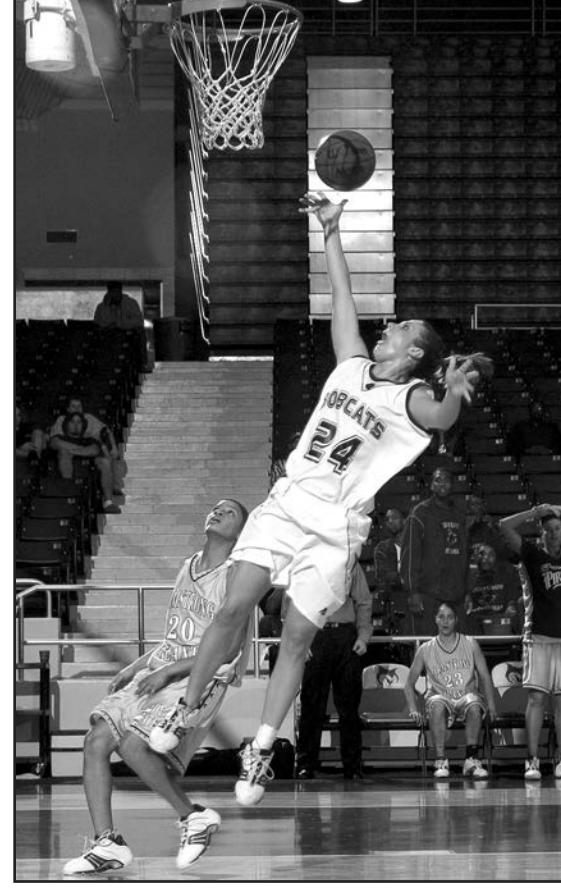
"I thought GCSU was a good program, had good coaches and players, so I took advantage of the opportunity," Keaton said.

The good news for the Bobcats is they do have their starting center, Aaron Clark returning.

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SHELLEY WATSON / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Freshman Graham Martin (2) and sophomore Shaun Keaton (24) practice basketball drills in the Centennial Center to prepare for the season.



SPECIAL TO THE COLONNADE
Junior Ashley Williams (24) started 18 games as a sophomore. She ranked second on the team with 8.0 points per game and led the team with 22 blocked shots.

Women atop of PBC pre-season poll

BY A.J. FOSS
SENIOR REPORTER

The GCSU women's basketball team, coming off its 2006 Peach Belt Conference Tournament Championship, is considered one of the favorites to win the PBC for the 2006-2007 season.

The tournament title came as a shock to fans and players as the Lady Bobcats finished with a 14-13 overall record in the regular season, a 9-11 conference record, and number 5 seed in the PBC Tournament. But, the Lady Bobcats caught fire and won three games in a row, including a double overtime win over Francis Marion in the championship game to advance to the NCAA Division II Women's Basketball Tournament for the third time in five years.

"The way we played at the beginning of the season, we shouldn't have won (the PBC)," said senior guard Brandy Holsendolph. "But the way we played at the end of the season, we deserved to win."

The Lady Bobcats return 10 lettermen, only two of which are seniors, from last year's team that was picked second in the preseason PBC poll only behind the Clayton State Lakers. But Lady Bobcats head coach John Carrick knows that he

will find out whether the team is one of the best teams in the PBC on the basketball court.

"I don't pay a lot of attention to the pre-season poll," Carrick said. "It's nice that other people respect your team, but it matters at the end of the year where we're at."

The fact that the Lady Bobcats have 10 returning players does make Carrick's job a little bit easier.

"Besides the fact that they know what to expect out of me as a coach, I already know what the players' strengths and weaknesses are," Carrick said.

While the Lady Bobcats lost only two players to graduation, one of the two seniors was forward LaWanna Leon. Leon averaged 17.1 points and 7.6 rebounds per game and was named Most Valuable Player of the PBC Tournament. Carrick described Leon as the team's "go-to" player.

"If we needed a basket, we ran something for her to get the basketball and score, so the team will miss her there," Carrick said.

However, the Lady Bobcats do return a lot of talent, including junior forward Marquita Driskell, who spent her freshman season at the University of Georgia.

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Cross Country team makes school history

BY DEVIN VERNICK
SENIOR REPORTER

the race, not for psyching yourself out."

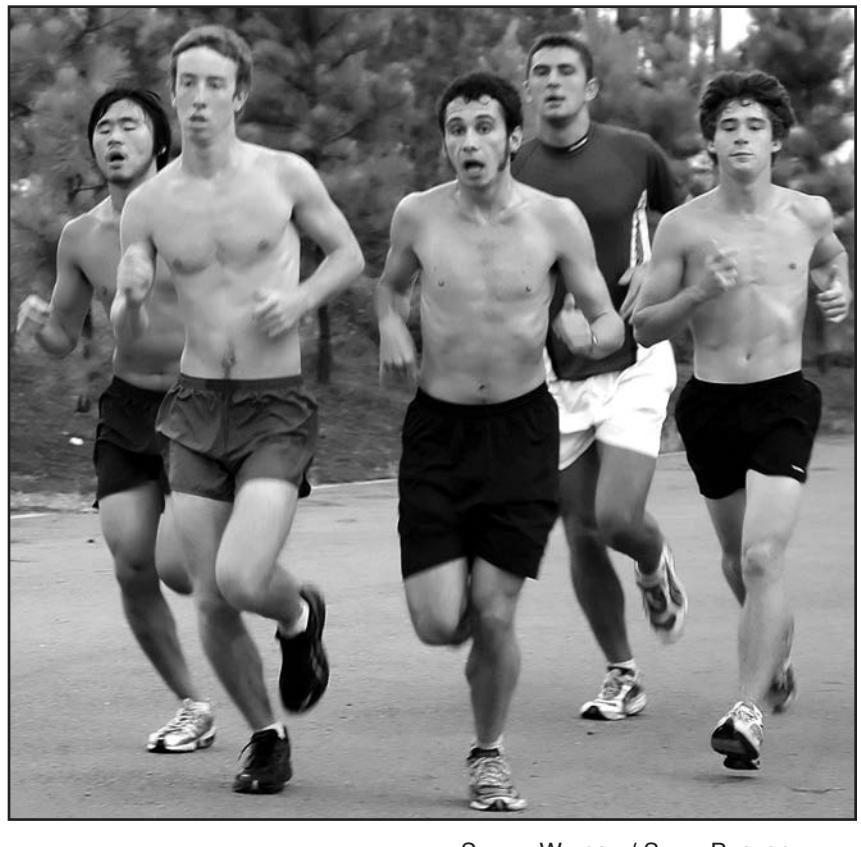
Dobson finished fourth overall, earning a spot on the All-Conference Team and also breaking the GCSU record in an 8K race. Freshman Josh Hollar and junior Michael Hague were also top-10 finishers against the tough competition the team faced from Clayton State, Columbus State, North Georgia, Francis Marion, and UNC Pembroke.

"As a team, we had a stellar performance. I felt like I did pretty well, and I'm excited about next year because we have a young team and everyone is returning," said Hague, a junior environmental science major.

The GCSU women found themselves competing against 11 other women's squads, as opposed to the men having to face five. The pressure was on, and coming off a rough finish last season, the women rose to the occasion. Kellie Hughes, a junior exercise science major, was thrilled by their strong finish.

"I knew we were going to do better than last year. We have worked very hard in practice and our times have been improving all season. A lot of us [made personal records]; that is really good. Both teams did better than last year, and that is always a pleasure to watch," Hughes said.

Both the men and women will run one last time at the regional championship, held in Tennessee on Saturday. The team is currently training and preparing them-



SHELLY WATSON / STAFF PHOTOGRAPHY
The Cross Country team practiced early every morning this season at West Campus for its upcoming meets. The hard work paid off as the men finished second in the conference tournament and the women finished fifth. The men were also ranked tenth in the South Region of the US Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association polls, the first ranking in GCSU history.

selves for what will be more challenging competition. Head Coach Joe Sampron is proud of the team's accomplishments thus far.

"We have two weeks to practice; we will have to get accustomed to a little more distance [a 10K]. We just have to maintain right now and we don't want any one to get hurt," Sampron said.

Whatever outcome unfolds at the regional meet, the Bobcats plan to continue drawing the attention of their competitors and next year win the Peach Belt Conference. The sport's future here at GCSU is certainly a bright one.

Ladies fall short of expectations

BY APRIL REED
SENIOR REPORTER

The GCSU Women's Soccer Team finished its season with a loss in the first round of the Peach Belt Conference Championship Tournament in Columbus last Wednesday.

The 1-0 loss came against the number one seed, Columbus State, and brought to a close a season marred with injury and inexperience. The Bobcats ended up 6-7-4 overall and 2-4-3 in the conference after the tournament.

The Lady Bobcats were ranked seventh in the preseason and finished eighth out of 10 teams in the PBC.

"The key to this year was that we were really effected by a fair amount of adversity," said Head Coach Robert Parr. "I don't like that being an excuse, but that certainly is part of the difficulties we faced this year."

Parr had to sit 18 players on the sidelines due to an array of injuries throughout the season - a number higher than many teams have on their entire roster.

The Bobcats suffered the loss of goalkeeper Meghan Rothenburg early in the season, due to non-soccer related health issues.

"After the very first weekend of the season eliminating one of your best keepers, that makes it a challenge for the rest of the year," Parr said.

The team also suffered the loss of two unnamed players who were removed from the team for disciplinary reasons.

"If they're not dedicated to the team, they have to go," Parr said. "That's unfortunately something that came up and had to be done."

The resulting lack of consistency for the Lady Bobcats meant unexpected and extended play for team members like goalkeeper sophomore Kristen Moore, who had the second lowest goals scored against her in the PBC.

Moore said the support of her roommate and fellow teammate, Beth Coughlin, helped her remain confident through her difficult and unexpected playing time.

"I think this year we kind of suf-



WILL GODFREY / SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Freshman Jamie Nevin (26) was second on the team in points with 14. She scored five goals during the season and had four assists.

fered, but I think in the long run we have to adapt and realize we have to be ready to step onto the field," Moore said. "We have to be working hard in practice because our turn may come to get on the field."

Moore's teammate, midfielder and forward Hayley Ferrell, also saw significant playtime as a sophomore.

"We did face a couple hardships, but I don't really like to make any excuses - we didn't perform as well as we should have," Ferrell said.

Ferrell said that in efforts to enhance team chemistry, which was lacking this year, she and other players will focus on being more welcoming to incoming freshmen rather than viewing them as competition.

Despite the team's unavoidable inconsistency this season, the hardships could actually end up helping the team in the long run.

"That's the margin of difference right now that is between (us) being at the very top of the conference,"

Parr said of the one missed save that separated his team from Columbus State. "That's where you want your veteran players on the team so they can hopefully come up for you in those circumstances, but then again, younger players gained a tremendous amount of experience. Our young players played very well and were very flexible, moving positions, and helping the team in being successful going forward. We just didn't expect that to happen this year."

The young team was ranked second in defense this year, and also outscored their opponents nearly 2-1.

Next year the Lady Bobcat's fourth season will mean the first time the team has ever had four recruiting classes.

"The quality of the players and the quality of the team is going up every year," Parr said. "We didn't encounter nearly as much adversity last year as we did this year - few teams do."

Bobcats

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Clark, a junior, averaged 13.2 points and 7.5 rebounds per game and was named to the NCAA South Atlantic Regional All-Tournament Team after he averaged 18.0 points and 5.7 rebounds in the Bobcats' three post-season games. However, Clark has spent his time in preseason practice on helping the new players get into a rhythm.

"I know I am going to get a little more attention (from the other teams) but I just need to step up my game so I can be another contributor," Clark said. "I'm not really focused on

scoring more points because we got a lot of guys who can score."

According to Sellers, the question of whether the Bobcats will be a contender for the PBC championship will depend on how quickly the players come together as a team.

"Hopefully by conference time we will have a lot of those questions answered and we will play some great basketball," Sellers said.

The Bobcats' season begins on Nov. 17 with a tournament at Catawba College in Salisbury, North Carolina. The Bobcats' home opener will be on November 21st when they face USC Aiken.

Ladies

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The Lady Bobcats also have returning junior forward Ashley Williams who averaged 8.0 points and 5.8 rebounds per game, as well as senior guard Cassie Miliner who averaged 7.2 points and 6.6 rebounds per game last season.

With all the returning talent and experience, experts may feel that the Lady Bobcats' biggest concern will be the way the players handle the high expectations. But sophomore forward Tiauna Brantley believes there is no need to be

nervous.

"There is no need to have pressure," Brantley said. "We just got to go out there and perform."

Though not ranked nationally, Carrick feels that if the Lady Bobcats live up to the expectations, they can be among one of the top teams in the country.

"If we have success in the conference, I guarantee we will have success outside the conference because our conference is so good," Carrick said.

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